Slag-based Cement Plant

671. SHRI SUNIL BASU ROY: Will the Minister of STEEL AND MINES be pleased to state:

(a) whether any slag-based cement plant has been set up by SAIL in the country;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to set up more such plants in the country; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI M. L. FOTEDAR): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) and (d) The Government has sanctioned setting up of a number of new cement plants and expansion of existing cement plants which would be using slag.

A proposal has also been received from TISCO for setting up a cement plant which would use slag available from the Jamshedpur Steel Plant.

Central Water Commissions latest Technological Assistance

672. SHRI NARAYAN KAR: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the North Eastern States have been deprived of the latest technological assistance from the Central Water Commission;

(b) whether these States have approached the Union Government for technical assistance from the Central Water Commission; and

(c) if so, the decisions taken by the Union Government in regard thereto?

THE MINISTER OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) No, Sir.

(b) and (c) Whenever North-Eastern States have approached in this regard the Government of India for technical assistance, the same is extended.

Production of Fruit Products

673. SHRI SUBAS MOHANTY: Will the Minister of FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have set up a few processing units to use fruits for preparing soft drinks and other fruit products; and

(b) if so, whether production of such items had gone up during the last three years and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD AND CIVIL SUPPLIES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The Department of Food in the Ministry of Food and Civil Supplies set up a fruit juice bottling plant at Delhi to manufacture fruit drinks. This plant was transferred to Modern Bakeries (India) Limited (subsequently renamed as Modern Food Industries (India) Limited) in April 1982, and was commissioned by the Company the same month.

(b) The production figures of fruit drinks manufactured by the plant during the last three years are given below:

Year	Production (in lakh crates—each crate of 24 bottles of 200 ml. each)
1984-85	6.05
1985-86	7.24
1986-87	6.75 (Provisional)

The decline in production during 1986-87 was due mainly to frequent break-downs of the plant.

Reinstatement of retreached CPWD Employees

674. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether a number of repre-

sentations had been received by him/his Ministry/CPWD authorities through various Members of Parliament regarding reinstatement of the services of such CPWD daily-wage workers/employees, whose services were illegally terminated during the period 1st January, 1987 and 30th March, 1987;

(b) if so, what is the number of such representations received alongwith the date of receipt in each case and action taken on each of them;

(c) whether Government propose to reinstate the illegally terminated employees in the near future, if so, by when; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) No such representation through any Members of Parliament was received during this period.

Grievances of the residents of Central Government Colony at Vasant Vihar

675. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn towards a news-item published in the "Times of India" dated the 2nd July, 1987 under the caption "ORDEAL OF FLATS AT VASANT VIHAR" regarding the grievances of the residents of the Central Government Employees colony of Vasant Vihar;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what are the steps taken by Government in this reagrd?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In the news item, 3 issues were raised:—

(1) Regarding maintenance of quarters;

(2) Regarding quality of work; and

(3) lack of amenities in the area.

(c) *Maintenance of quarters*: It was mentioned in the News item that carpenters and masons are not available. As per Government norms, full time Mason/Carpenter is not justified for maintenance of these flats. The complaints pertaining to masons and carpenter's work are being attended by diversion from other sources whenever necessity arises Problems to sometime crop up when the residents insist that workers attend is these jobs only on Saturdays and Sundays. Despite this, all efforts are made to attend to such complaints within 4 to 5 days.

Sometimes adequate water supply is not received from M.C.D. due to current shortage.

Quality of Works: It is not correct that the work is of inferior quality. Besides Construction Engineers, the Quality Control Cell has inspected these works and no serious complaints have been received in this regard.

Regarding amenities: Boundary walls are not being provided in Government residential colonies in small pockets. They are considered as wasteful expenditure. They also create architectural difficulty. The internal roads have not been provided with bitumineou carpetting as it is desirable to provide bitumen carpet only after all other development work is completed. It is not as if this item was deliberately delayed. The question of providing CGHS dispensary, Post Office, Milk Depot and Ration shops etc. is not directly connected with the construction of the quarters. They are provided as and when necessary by the concerned agencies. Action is being initiated to put up the Community Centre and Shopping Centre. But shopping facilities are available in the area.